

Readoption Review

410 IAC 1-3 – Infectious Waste

IC 4-22-2.5-3.1(c) requires an agency to conduct a review to consider whether there are alternative methods of achieving the purpose of the rule that are less costly or less intrusive, or that would minimize the economic impact of the proposed rule on small business.

Description of Rule:

This rule addresses and defines infectious waste that is capable of transmitting a dangerous communicable disease. It provides guidance on containment, storage, handling and disposal of infectious waste to prevent human infections from the waste.

Readoption Analysis:

- 1) **Is there a continued need for this rule?**
Yes because this rule helps protect public health by preventing human infections from infectious waste.
- 2) **What is the nature of any complaints or comments received from the public, including small business, concerning the rule or the implementation of the rule by the agency?**
There have not been any complaints, but rather calls asking about sharps disposal and guidance for appropriate handling and disposal of infectious waste. Most inquiries come from citizens rather businesses.
- 3) **Examine the complexity of the rule, including difficulties encountered by the agency in administering the rule and small businesses in complying with the rule.** For the agency there are no complexities encountered in the administration of the rule, small businesses simply must address their policies and procedures to comply with the rule to ensure public health and safety.
- 4) **To what extent does the rule overlap, duplicate, or conflict with other federal, state, or local laws, rules, regulations, or ordinances?**
There is no duplication; rather this rule parallels the federal laws and guidelines. This code addresses the procedures on enacting the federal laws and is state specific to the needs of that state.
- 5) **When was the last time the rule was reviewed under this section or otherwise evaluated by the agency, and the degree to which technology, economic conditions, or other factors have changed in the area affected by this rule since that time?**
May 22, 2007 is the last time this was readopted and filed. There have been no significant changes from that time

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